

City of Newcastle Police Services Report

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GLOSSARY OF TERMS

Adult Arrests

An arrest is counted every time an adult is cited for a criminal offense or booked. More specifically:

- 1. It includes all adult bookings, plus
- 2. All adult citations which are classified as criminal non-traffic.
- 3. When an adult is both cited and booked, it is only counted once.

Cases Cleared /Clearance

The solving of an offense by arrest, or in some circumstances, by exceptional means (the suspect died, is imprisoned on another charge, victim refuses to testify, etc.).

CASE CLOSURE DEFINITIONS

Cleared by Arrest:

A case can be closed by arrest when at least one suspect is positively identified and charges are recommended to the Prosecuting Attorney's Office. This closure does not require physical booking into a jail or juvenile detention facility. It also does not require the charging of <u>all</u> suspects, if there are multiple suspects in the crime. This category includes criminal citations into district and municipal courts for misdemeanors and felony filings into Superior Court, as well as <u>all</u> filings into Juvenile Court.

Exceptional Clearance:

A case can be closed "exceptional" if it can be established that a crime has been committed and the identity of a suspect is positively confirmed, but due to circumstances beyond our control, no charges are filed. An example of this type of closure is a case in which the victim declines to assist in prosecution. Another example is when another police agency files charges on a related crime stemming from the same incident. (Car stolen in King County, but suspect arrested out of the stolen car in Bellevue. Bellevue P.D. charges the suspect with possession of the stolen car. We close the stolen car case "exceptional.")

Unfounded:

Cases are closed as "unfounded" when the investigation reveals that no crime has been committed. An example would be the report of a theft by one party that is determined to be a false report by interviewing other independent witnesses

Administrative Clearance:

This clearance is used primarily to close non-criminal police investigations like found property. For instance, if a citizen finds and turns over to police a wallet. Investigations reveals who the owner of the wallet is and the item is returned to that person.

Inactive:

This category is used when all investigative leads are exhausted and the case can not be closed by any of the above classifications.

Dispatched Calls for Service

This includes calls received in the Communications Center which result in one or more patrol cars being dispatched.

Domestic Violence

Domestic Violence is a subcategory to other crimes. Virtually any crime can by classified as domestic violence. In the State of Washington, Domestic Violence is defined as a crime of violence against the person or property of a spouse, former spouse, persons related by blood or marriage, persons who have a child in common, former/current roommates, persons who have or had a dating relationship, and persons related to the suspect by the parent-child (biological or legal) relationship. In some cases, the age of the victim or suspect may determine whether or not the legal definition above is met.

Part I Offenses

This category is commonly known as the "Crime Index." Crimes include criminal homicide (which includes murder and non-negligent manslaughter; but excludes deaths by negligence, attempts to kill, suicides, accidental deaths, justifiable homicide and traffic fatalities), forcible rape, robbery, aggravated assault (which excludes simple assaults), burglary, larceny-theft, motor vehicle theft and arson.

Violent Crimes (Part 1)

These are a subclassification of Part I Offenses which encompass murder and non-negligent manslaughter, rape, robbery and aggravated assault.

Part II Offenses

This category includes all other crime classifications outside those defined as Part I. Crimes include other assaults (simple), forgery and counterfeiting, fraud, embezzlement, stolen property (buying, receiving and/or possessing), vandalism, weapons (carrying, possessing, etc.), prostitution and commercialized vice, sex offenses (except forcible rape, prostitution or commercial vice...i.e. statutory rape, indecent exposure, etc.), drug violations, gambling, offenses against the family and children, driving under the influence, liquor violations, drunkenness, disorderly conduct, etc.

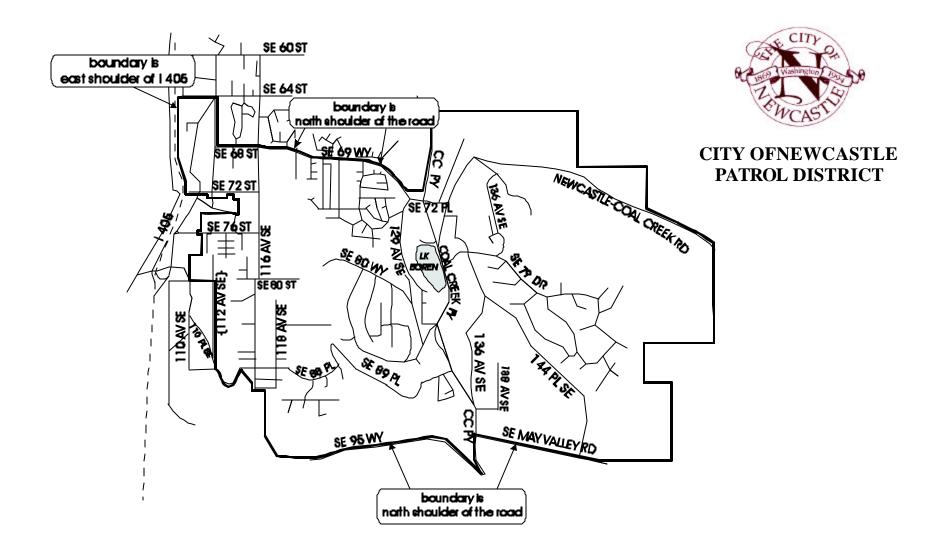
Response Times/Priorities

Priority X - Critical Dispatch. This category is used for those calls that pose an obvious threat to the safety of persons. Examples include shootings, stabbings and in-progress crimes such as robberies or burglaries where the possibility of a confrontation between a victim and suspect exists.

Priority 1 - Immediate Dispatch. This category is used for those calls that require immediate police action. Examples include silent alarms, injury traffic accidents, in-progress crimes or crimes that have just occurred where a suspect may still be in the immediate area.

Priority 2 - Prompt Dispatch. This category is used for those calls that could escalate to a more serious degree if not policed quickly. Examples include verbal disturbances and blocking traffic accidents.

Priority 3 - Routine Dispatch. This category is used for those calls where response time is not a critical factor. Examples include burglaries and larcenies that are not in progress, audible alarms, or other routine reports.



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CRIME SUMMARY

	2003	2004	Percent Change	Crime Rate	Total 2004 Cases Closed
Part I Offenses					
Criminal Homicide	0	0	N/A	0.00	0
Forcible Rape (incl. Attempts)	1	2	100.0%	0.24	1
Robbery	2	7	250.0%	0.84	2
Aggravated Assault	4	6	50.0%	0.72	5
Burglary, Commercial	17	9	-47.1%	1.07	0
Burglary, Residential	49	24	-51.0%	2.87	1
Larceny, over \$250	73	85	16.4%	10.15	3
Larceny, under \$250	58	83	43.1%	9.91	1
Vehicle Theft	55	79	43.6%	9.43	3
Arson	0	1	N/A	0.12	0
Total Part I Offenses	259	296	14.3%	35.34	16
Total Part II Offenses	238	227	-4.6%	27.10	9

NOTE:

The crime rate is calculated on the basis of 1,000 people (i.e., number of crimes per 1,000 people). The population is 8,375.

ACTIVITY SUMMARY

	2003	2004	Percent Change
Dispatched calls for service	1,567	1,399	-10.7%
Adult charges/arrests	45	40	-11.1%
Juvenile charges/arrests	11	9	-18.2%
Traffic enforcement	335	560	67.2%
Officers assaulted	0	0	N/A
Total gang-related incidents	0	1	N/A
Total domestic violence related			
incidents	62	62	0.0%
Hate crimes/malicious harassment			
reports	3	0	-100.0%

NOTE:

The domestic violence figures on this page include everything that is related to domestic violence: case reports, citations, follow-ups, assistance rendered to other agencies, FIR's made, etc. They may differ from the figures on page 6, which refer to case reports and citations only.

Part One Offenses	
Criminal Homicide	0
Rape	2
Child Rape	0
Attempted Rape	0
Robbery, Highway	0
Robbery, Commercial	0
Robbery, Gas Station	0
Robbery, Chain Store	3
Robbery, Residence	2
Robbery, Bank	2
Robbery, Misc.	0
Robbery, Carjack	0
Assault, Firearm *	3
Assault, Knife	1
Assault, ODW	1
Assault, Hands	1
Commercial Burglary, FE	8
Commercial Burglary, NF	1
Commercial Burglary, ATT	0
Residential Burglary, FE	16
Residential Burglary, NF	7
Residential Burglary, ATT	1
Larceny, +\$250	85
Larceny, -\$250	83
Auto Theft	76
Truck-Bus Theft	0
Other Vehicle Theft	3
Theft Boat/RV	0
Arson Confirmed	1
Total	296

Part Two Offenses	
Assault Fourth	28
Total Forgery/Fraud *	43
Stolen Property	0
Vandalism	39
Weapons Violations	1
Commercial Vice	0
Total Sexual Offenses *	2
Gambling	0
Total Family/Juvenile *	44
DWI	1
Liquor Violations	1
Disorderly Conduct	0
Kidnapping	0
Trespass	10
Opium, coke, etc.	1
Marijuana	0
Synthetic Narcotics	0
Other Narcotics	0
Hate Crimes	0
Viol. of Court Orders (Misd)	6
Viol. of Court Orders (Felony)	1
All other	50
Total	227

NOTES:

The data on this page includes the domestic violence data listed on page 6. Page 6 refers to domestic violence data only.

*A more detailed section of these categories is listed on page 10.

Larceny Offenses	
Auto Parts & Accessories	17
Bicycles	1
Coin Operated Machine Device	2
Non-specific Category	37
Pickpocket	0
Purse Snatch	0
Shoplifting	9
Taken from Auto	87
Taken from Building	15
Total	168

Dispatched Ca for Service	lls	
	2004	1.399

Response Times	
	Avg Time
Priority	in Mins.
X	3.80
1	7.36
2	11.94
3	34.38

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Domestic Violence:	
Part One Offenses	
Criminal Homicide	0
Rape	0
Child Rape	0
Attempted Rape	0
Robbery, Highway	0
Robbery, Commercial	0
Robbery, Gas Station	0
Robbery, Chain Store	0
Robbery, Residence	0
Robbery, Bank	0
Robbery, Misc.	0
Robbery, Carjack	0
Assault, Firearm	2
Assault, Knife	2
Assault, ODW	1
Assault, Hands	2
Commercial Burglary, FE	0
Commercial Burglary, NF	0
Commercial Burglary, ATT	0
Residential Burglary, FE	0
Residential Burglary, NF	0
Residential Burglary, ATT	0
Larceny, +\$250	0
Larceny, -\$250	0
Auto Theft	0
Truck-Bus Theft	0
Other Vehicle Theft	0
Theft Boat/RV	0
Arson Confirmed	0
Total	7

Domestic Violence:	
Part Two Offenses	
Assault Fourth	15
Total Forgery/Fraud	0
Stolen Property	0
Vandalism	3
Weapons Violations	1
Commercial Vice	0
Total Sexual Offenses	0
Gambling	0
Total Family/Juvenile	14
DWI	0
Liquor Violations	0
Disorderly Conduct	0
Kidnapping	0
Trespass	0
Opium, coke, etc.	0
Marijuana	0
Synthetic Narcotics	0
Other Narcotics	0
Hate Crimes	0
Viol. of Court Orders (Misd)	5
Viol. of Court Orders (Felony)	1
All other	1
Total	40

NOTE:

This page is a subcategory of page 5 and only refers to domestic violence incidents that produced a case report or citation.

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ADULT AND JUVENILE CHARGES, ARRESTS, AND CITATIONS

	Adult Felony	Adult Misdemeanor	Juvenile Felony	Juvenile Misdemeanor	Total Adults and Juveniles
Criminal Homicide	0	0	0	0	0
Negligent Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0
Forcible Rape	1	0	0	0	1
Robbery	0	0	0	0	0
Aggravated Assault	1	0	1	0	2
Burglary	0	0	0	0	0
Larceny	0	4	0	2	6
Vehicle Theft	1	0	0	0	1
Assault, Fourth	0	15	0	4	19
Arson	0	0	0	0	0
Counterfeiting/Forgery	0	0	0	0	0
Fraud	0	0	0	0	0
Embezzlement	0	0	0	0	0
Stolen Property	0	0	0	0	0
Vandalism	0	0	0	0	0
Weapons Violations	1	0	0	0	1
Prostitution - Vice	0	0	0	0	0
Sex Offense (No Rape)	0	0	0	0	0
Narcotics/Drug Violation	1	1	0	0	2
Marijuana	0	1	0	0	1
Gambling, Other	0	0	0	0	0
DWI	0	2	0	0	2
Liquor Violation	0	1	0	0	1
Disorderly Conduct	0	1	0	0	1
Other (except Traffic)	0	10	0	2	12
Traffic	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	5	35	1	8	49

NOTE:

Charges include all adults and juveniles booked, cited and charged in absentia. Charges do not include persons that are booked on warrants each quarter.

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Traffic Enforcement Activity

Violation	Patrol	Special Operations	TOTAL
Abandoned Vehicle	33		33
Accident, Injury	17	0	17
Accident, Non-injury	40	0	40
Accident, Fatal	0	0	0
D.U.I.	1	0	1
Physical Control	0	0	0
Hit & Run, Occupied Non-injury	3	0	3
Hit & Run, Unoccupied	19	0	19
Hit & Run, Injury	0	0	0
Incident, NSC (Other than accident)	1	0	1
Motorcycle Complaint	0	0	0
Negligent Driving	2	0	2
Other Moving Violation	91	0	91
Defective Equipment	4	0	4
Other Non-moving Violation	11	0	11
Off Road Vehicle/ATV Violation	0	0	0
Parking Violation	25	0	25
Pedestrian/Bicycle Violation	0	0	0
Reckless Driving	2	0	2
Speeding (Pace)	7	0	7
Speeding (Radar)	237	0	237
Traffic Complaint Investigation	27	0	27
Attempting to Elude (Felony Flight)	0	0	0
Control (Other than Fire)	0	0	0
Driving While License Revoked/Suspended	15	0	15
Operator's License Violations, Other	3	0	3
Seatbelt Violation	0	0	0
Vehicle License Violations	22	0	22
TOTAL	560	0	560

Summary of Traffic Activity						
2004 2003 Percent						
DUI	1	2	-50.0%			
Moving/Hazardous	483	270	78.9%			
Non-moving/Compliances	76	63	20.6%			
TOTAL	560	335	67.2%			

Traffic Accident Investigations				
	2004	2003	Percent Change	
Accident, Injury	17	33	-48.5%	
Accident, Non-injury	40	30	33.3%	
Accident, Fatal	0	0	N/A	
Hit & Run, Occupied, Non-injury	3	2	50.0%	
Hit & Run, Unoccupied	19	21	-9.5%	
Hit & Run, Injury	0	1	-100.0%	

	2004	2003	Percent Change
Traffic Complaint Investigations	27	11	145.5%

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SPECIAL OPERATIONS

Air Support Unit (Helicopter) Activity				
2003 2004 Chan				
Number of Details	6	5	-16.7%	
Patrol (Flight) Hours	2.25	1.75	-22.2%	

K-9 Unit Activity				
	2003	2004	Percent Change	
K-9 Used on Calls	14	3	-78.6%	
Time Spent (Hours)	34.50	4.50	-87.0%	

Hostage Negotiations Team Activity					
	2003 2004 Chang				
Hostage and Barricade Incidents	1	0	-100.0%		

Bomb Disposal Unit Activity				
	Percent Change			
Responses	3	0	-100.0%	
Follow-ups	1	0	-100.0%	

TAC-30 Unit Activity				
2003 2004 CF				
Callouts	1	0	-100.0%	

Department Ceremonial Unit Activity					
2003 2004 Change					
Callouts	0	0	N/A		

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Major and Special Investigations Section

Assault Offenses			
	2003	2004	Percent Change
Assault, Aggravated	1	1	0.0%
Assault, Cutting	0	1	N/A
Assault, Handgun	2	1	-50.0%
Assault, Handgun (Driveby)	0	0	N/A
Assault, Long gun	0	1	N/A
Assault, Long gun (Driveby)	0	0	N/A
Assault, Other Firearm	0	0	N/A
Assault, Other Firearm (Driveby)	0	0	N/A
Assault, Unknown Firearm	0	0	N/A
Assault, Unknown Firearm (Driveby)	0	1	N/A
Assault, ODW	1	1	0.0%
Assault, Simple	16	28	75.0%

Fraud Offenses			
	2003	2004	Percent Change
Embezzlement	0	0	N/A
Extortion	0	0	N/A
Fraud, All other	19	39	105.3%
Fraud, UICD	3	1	-66.7%
Forgery Document	0	0	N/A
Forgery Checks	10	2	-80.0%
Forgery Credit Cards	2	1	-50.0%
Computer Investigations	0	0	N/A
Consumer Fraud	0	0	N/A

Special Assault Offenses			
	2003	2004	Percent Change
Rape	1	2	100.0%
Child Rape	0	0	N/A
Attempted Rape	0	0	N/A
Child Molestation	2	0	-100.0%
Child Porn	0	0	N/A
Incest	0	0	N/A
Indecent Exposure	8	1	-87.5%
Indecent Liberties	0	1	N/A
Sex Offense, NSC	1	0	-100.0%
Sexual Offender Registration	0	0	N/A
Sexual Offender Registration Violations	0	0	N/A
Sexual Offender Verification	0	0	N/A

Family/Juvenile Offenses			
	2003	2004	Percent Change
Child Abuse	2	1	-50.0%
Child Neglect	3	1	-66.7%
Disturbance, Family	29	34	17.2%
Juvenile Disturbance	1	0	-100.0%
Juvenile Runaway	7	7	0.0%
Custodial Interference	1	1	0.0%
Elderly or Dependent Abuse	0	0	N/A
Elderly of Dependent Neglect	0	0	N/A

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